

**Minutes of a Meeting**  
**Of the**  
**BROOKLYN RECREATION BOARD**  
**May 20, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Called:

Alison Rafter	-	Present
Rebecca Byndas	-	Present
Robert Hennings	-	Present
Kevin Tanski	-	Present
Mike Wrost	-	Present

There was a motion by Hennings, second by Rafter to approve April 15, 2019 minutes:

**Vote resulted:**

Yes – Rafter, Byndas, Hennings, Tanski, Wrost

Abstain – None

No – None

Recreation Commissioner Jack Abbruzzese gave the following report:

**Summer Field House Flyer**

Full go with Council. Pickle Ball set up and renting college style Basketball hoops. 3 courts in the middle is gym activity open play. Begins June 1-July 31. Hours are Monday –Friday 9am-8p.m. Saturday and Sunday abbreviated hours. Mostly for Recreation Pass Holders. Students \$2.00 & Adults \$3.00. Safety issues. Half court & 3/3. Trying to get family play.

Try to get a tournament last weekend in July. Rules will be posted. Trying to stay away from the hockey.

**Summer Sport Court Hours**

Eliminate 4-8:00p.m. Too many complaints on behavior. Staffing is hard to find. The staff cost \$3000.00 and the revenue was \$300.00. Offset with the Field House Basketball. Email to Council. Open 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. then it will be locked. Tennis courts not used that much. Organized activity scheduled thru us. One person to monitor the inside gym. The managers can watch it during the day.

**Safety Town Site**

In 2020. Police Department is on board. Council verbal approval to use 2 tennis courts by the road. Community involved. Bob said the whole setup is under the stadium to look at next summer. Decorative fence to be part of the park and not take down every year. Visit other cities. Sign “Safety Town 2020” coming soon. Bob said a lot of people asking about it. Lesson plan with the Police Department. Community effort. Alison said Safety Town was her first job.

### **Baseball/Softball Numbers**

Creeping up for older kids. 2 teams for our traveling rec league. 12U & 10U. 14U Boys baseball. Revamp next year. Go with 2 different leagues – Brecksville, Independence, Brooklyn Heights, Seven Hills or Westside with North Olmsted, Fairview Park. All losing kids. T-ball 4 teams. Keep the younger kids going.

### **Park Garbage Cans**

They are in the rink and being assembled. 12-16 new.

### **Picnic Tables**

Assembled and in the 2 lower pavilions. Bolted down. Alison asked about Marquardt Park. It is run down and put back far. Evaluate it.

### **Century Equipment**

Toro dealer and big in turf management. Baseball diamonds. In house to them. Fields. Scoreboards to get Sponsorship for them. Old concession stand is storage now. Building commissioner looked at it with Jack. Structure fine. Use it for storage. Beyond point for concession.

### **Fall Soccer (HS Players)**

Alison to get high school kids involved. Boys and girls. Soccer director for the fall. Youth program look like. Younger kids practice on Friday and play Saturday games. Mostly Saturdays. Alison would like to see the high school kids involved with program.

### **Open Forum**

To adjourn for the summer months of June, July, August.  
There was a motion by Rafter, second by Wrost:

#### **Vote resulted:**

Yes – Rafter, Byndas, Hennings, Tanski, Wrost  
Abstain – None  
No – None

**MOTION** by Byndas, seconded by Rafter to adjourn at 7:25 p.m.

#### **Vote resulted:**

Yes-Rafter, Byndas, Hennings, Tanski, Wrost  
No-None



Tina J. Westfall  
Secretary